

1           **REDUCING HEAD GAIN CALIBRATION TIME IN A DISK DRIVE**

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**ABSTRACT**

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5           A method for reducing a servo channel head gain calibration time comprising  
6       initiating a servo channel head gain calibration process for a head corresponding to the  
7       selected disk surface; obtaining a head gain calibration value for a pre-selected zone in the  
8       selected disk surface; comparing the obtained calibration value with a pre-stored calibration  
9       value for the pre-selected zone and generating a comparison result; and stopping the  
10      calibration process for the head if the comparison result does not exceed a threshold value.